

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Neal et al.

Application No.: 10/007,002

Filed: November 30, 2001

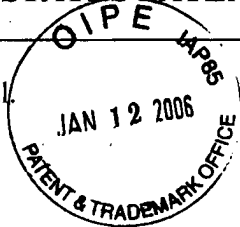
Title: RULE RELAXATION AND SUBSET  
OPTIMIZATION SYSTEM

Attorney Docket No.: DEM1P009

Examiner: Ruhl, Dennis William

Group: 3629

Confirmation No.: 9261



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Kang S. Lim

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
(37 CFR §1.114)**

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-identified application.

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114:**

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
  - i. ☐ Consider the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Any unentered amendment referred to above will be entered.)
  - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. ☒ Enclosed
  - i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
  - ii. ☐ Affidavit/Declaration
  - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449  
☐ Copies of IDS Citations
  - iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_.

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2. **Fees:** (The RCE fee is required at the time the RCE is filed.)

Fee Calculation (37 CFR §1.16)

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| Fee for Request for Continued Examination Under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) | \$790 = | \$790.00 |
| TOTAL  |         | \$790.00 |
| SMALL ENTITY 50% FILING FEE REDUCTION (if applicable)              |         |          |

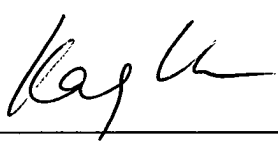
- ☒ a. Applicant hereby petitions for a 1 month extension of time.
- ☐ b. Applicant believes that no (additional) extension of time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant hereby petitions that such an extension be granted and authorizes the Director to charge the required fees for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136 to Deposit Account No. 50-2766.
- ☒ c. Enclosed is our Credit Card Payment Form authorizing the amount of \$910.00 to cover the RCE fee of \$790.00 and the extension of time fee of \$120.00.
- ☒ d. The Director is authorized to charge any fees beyond the amount enclosed which may be required, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-2766.
3. ☒ Please continue to send correspondence to the following address:

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